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Rohrbach et al.

Serial No.: 09/867,973

Filed: May 30, 2001

For: STAGED OIL FILTER INCORPORATING ADDITIVE-RELEASING PARTICLES

Group Art Unit: 1724

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a request for refund, with respect to the charge to Deposit Account No. 06-1130, shown on the statement dated December 2005, for the above-identified patent application. A copy of this page of the statement, in which the error referred to occurs, accompanies this request.

The requested refund is for a charge made on December 9, 2005 for an Information Disclosure Statement for \$180.00 Applicant did not file an Information Disclosure Statement on or around December 9, 2005 for the above-identified file.

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Re:

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Inventor: Rohrbach et al.

Entitled: STAGED OIL FILTER INCORPORATING

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Attorney Docket No: H0001202 (HO1-0031)

Sir:

We enclose herewith:

[X] Request for Refund

[X] copy of December 2005 Statement

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1130.

Applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136 and other applicable rules to have the response period extended the number of months necessary to render the attached communication timely in the event a petition is required.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that the attached correspondence is being transmitted by facsimile to the Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, Virginia 223 I3-1450, on Thursday, December 08, 2005 via transmission to facsimile number (571) 273-8300.

AMENDMENT UNDER 37, CFR § 1.113

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

This is in response to the outstanding Final Office Action of September 8, 2005 wherein pending claims 1-10 and 13-18 were finally rejected. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and/or remarks.

No extension of time is believed to be necessary. However, applicant hereby politions under 37 CFR 1.136 or other applicable rule to have the response period extended the number of months necessary to render the attached communication timely if a petition is required. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account 06-1130 any fees necessary for entry of this amendment and/or extension of time.

Please make the following amendments to the Application as set forth below.

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